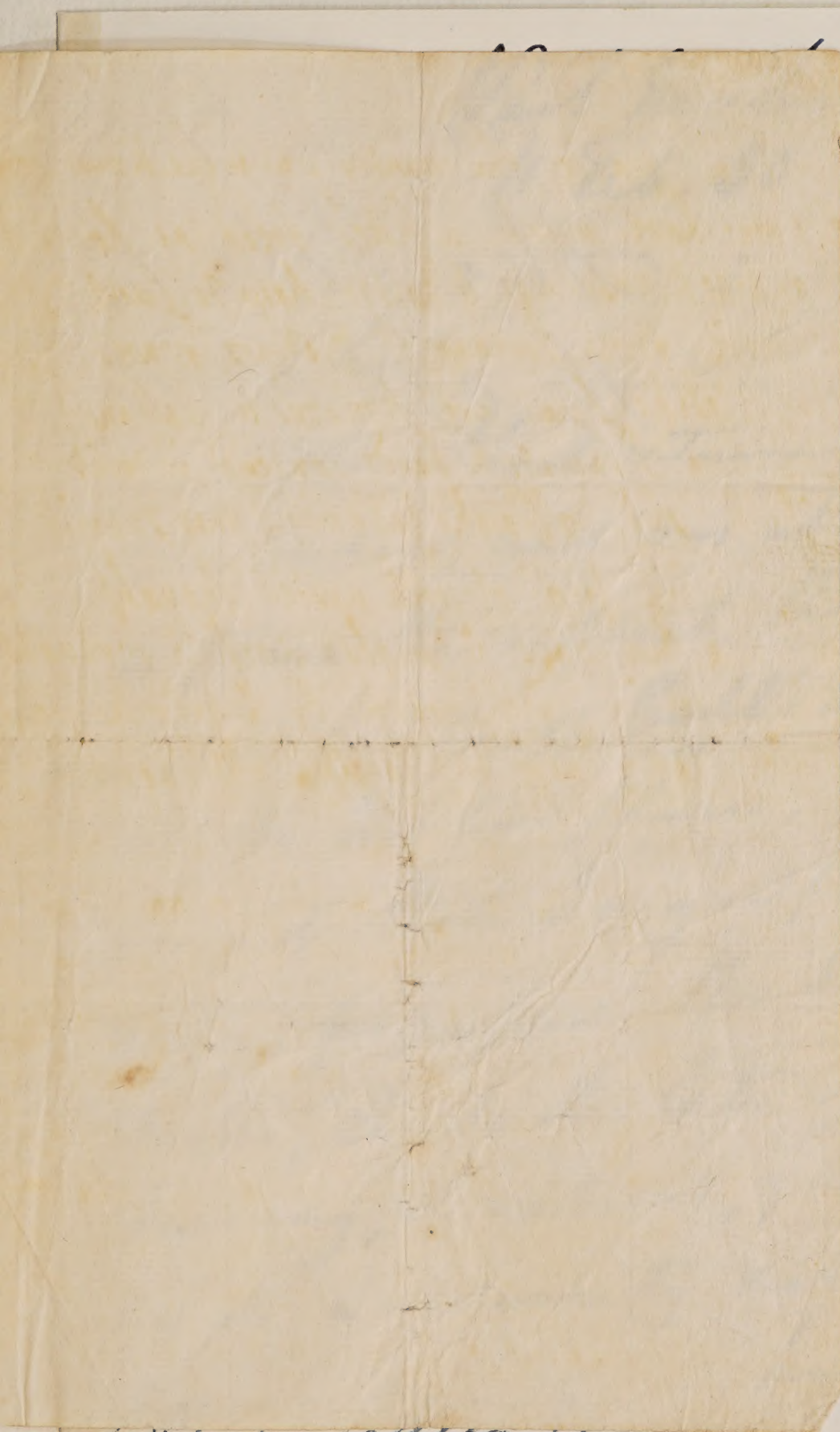


The Confederate Translators

oft has Apollo with harmonious sounds
Oft has he strove wth various antick mounds
To entertain y^e fair yet now he sees
Nothing but sweet variety will please
Toft's Razy bow's no more can raise y^e Love
Elford & Labbe' unregarded move
Purcell himself scarce gets a second smile
Purcell the Orpheus of our Brittish Isle
Since musick then, nor dancing will go down
He'll try some other way to please y^e down
Without delay a generall court he kept
Of all who on Parnassus ever stept
Thither in crowds the rhiming bards repair
(For mount Parnassus is a fruitfull air
One mov'd an Opera, one a Pastoral
A masque the third but were rejected all
Congreve at Last assisted by Vanbrook
And Walsh, propos'd a farce y^e motion took
Strait the Mummery of wit engage
To bring Pourceauinas on y^e english stage

From France the country put & quack must come
Tho we have much a better breed at home
Van brook instructs y^e doctor how to cant }
Congreve gives humour w^{ch} y^e others want }
For Walsh's lines are Am'rous & Gallant }
The two Dramatick bards contend in wit
Which still to Walsh's judgment they submit

Such is y^e force of well united thought
in twice ten days y^e mighty work is wrought
When drest in patch work by y^e tripple pen
Moliere can't know his country put again



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1. V. by the corner of

Poem by
Alex Pope at
the age of 16.

West Molerey
11 Feb. 50

I, 101

Dear Sir

After I had returned
your papers, and was about
to place the extract that
I had made of Quill's note
in its proper place, I
found that I myself al-
ready prepared the broad-
side, which the late Mr
Murray, it appears, gave
me as a curiosity which
had

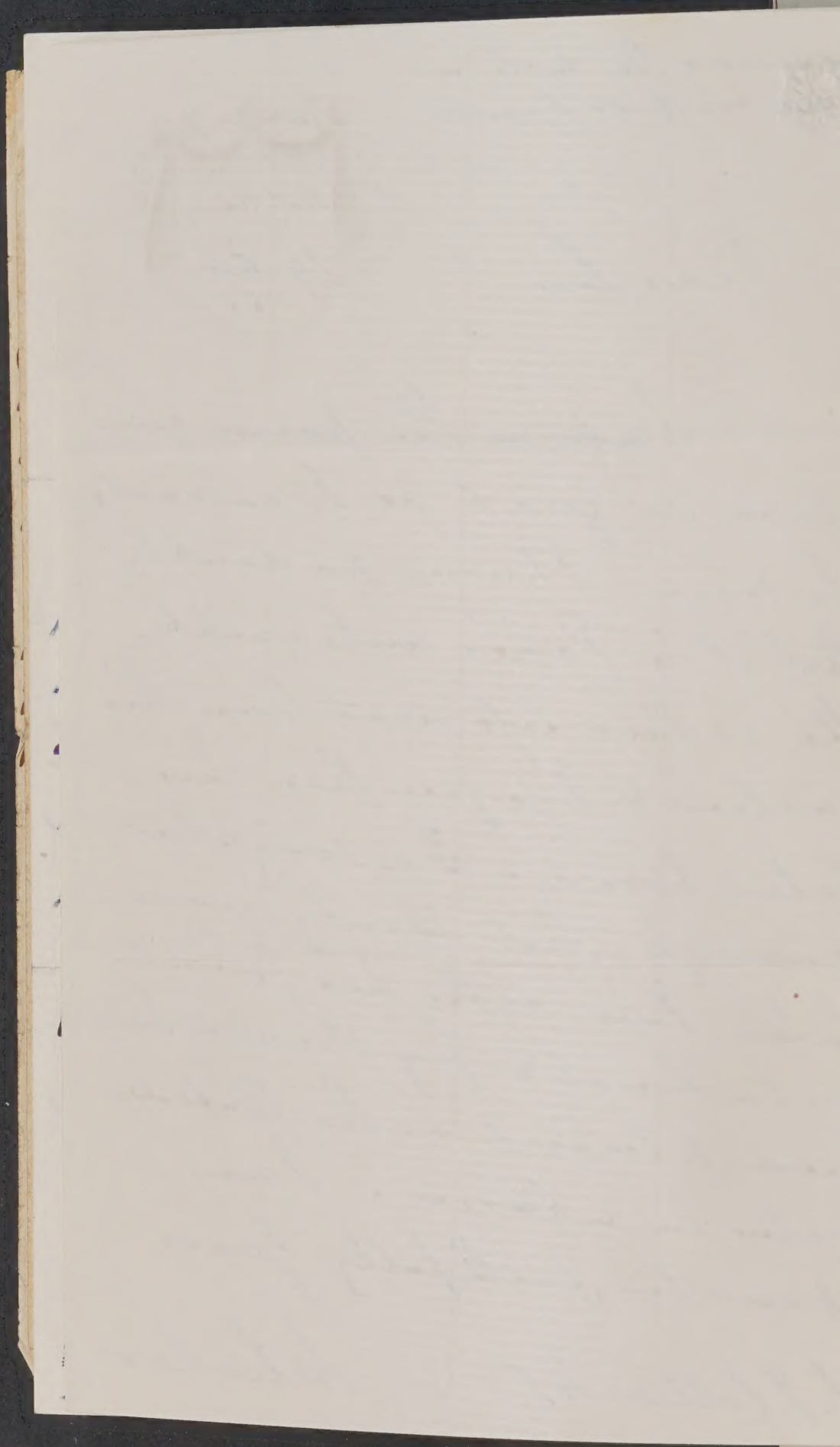
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had slipped from my
memory - I have also,
as I believe I told you,
several copies of the verses,
(with the indecent stanza,
in other forms. Mr Mur-
ray, as appears from a
note made on the paper,
purchased this volume
other "Popianus" at Haskins
Sale. I should of course
then I had come to that
part of my task, if I ever
come

come to it, have found my
own broadside, but I am
not the less obliged by
your letting me see

Yours.

I am quite at a loss to
guess why you should
suppose that I can look
back, ^{with any reluctance} to my early struggle
for a seat in parliament.
I look at it with no other
regret than that it cost me
first about £9000, tho' I was
brought forward by the old
established interests with
which I was both politically



The Brugh, Walsh &
company called on to
to produce M's play
pub in 1904.

Walsh was Poff's attorney
& friend

Adm
L. W.

